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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(MBHB Case No.: 01-301)

In re Application of:)
Chisholm, et al.) Group Art Unit: 2153
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Serial No.: 09/691,649) Examiner: Edelman, Bradley E.
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Filed: October 17, 2000) Confirmation No.: 3572
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For: Network Management Apparatus and)
Method for Identifying Causal Events on)
a Network)

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed May 6, 2004. Also, enclosed herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time from August 6, 2004 to September 6, 2004. After a careful review of the cited references, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.